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ATTN: Kimberly Topper  
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Dear Ms. Topper,

Physicians are often criticized for the undertreatment of pain. Severe pain should be treated regardless of origin with appropriate medications, which often include narcotics. If the patient becomes more functional and re enters life with the help of pain medications, then this represents good medical care. Another additional concern is accidental overdose of acetaminophen, which is found in many combination medications.

Sincerely,

  
James O'Halloran, D.O.